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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

We have reason to be thankful to a benevolent Providence for the more favored auspices under which you assemble, than greeted your immediate predecessors. Our present exemption, and the strengthened hope of yet higher security, from the dangers of rebel invasions and predatory incursions of guerrillas, together with the bounteous productions which have rewarded the industry of our people, and the blessings of health and general prosperity, are the bestowments of "a divinity that shapes our ends," which must attract our gratitude and command our thanksgiving to "Him whose ways are not as man's ways."

The constitution, in prescribing the powers and duties of the Governor as Chief Executive, requiring that "He shall, from time to time, give to the general assembly information of the state of the Commonwealth, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he may deem expedient." In obeying this requirement, it affords me gratification to be able to lay before you the condition of our Treasury, as shown by the reports of the Auditor and Treasurer. Taking the last four years as an illustration, it appears that our Treasury is in better condition than at any previous period of our history. The comparison presents the following contrast, at the end of each fiscal year, viz:

Balance in Treasury Oct. 10, 1860...	\$126,548 01
Balance in Treasury Oct. 10, 1861...	280,111 65
Balance in Treasury Oct. 10, 1862...	459,793 30
Balance in Treasury Oct. 10, 1863...	808,387 00

The interest upon our public debt has been promptly paid.

This condition is the more gratifying, when we consider the fact that many of our counties have been so overrun by rebel invaders, and desolated by guerrillas and marauders, that no revenue could be collected within them. In this connection, it is proper to suggest that relief should be extended to the collectors of revenue in those counties where collections were impracticable, owing to the exposed condition of the country.

As connected with our finances, it is proper to bring before you the defalcation of the late Auditor, Thos. S. Page. An examination of his accounts from 1853 to 1859, although not thorough, has developed an embezzlement of \$90,362 62, of which \$1,580 has been paid, leaving \$88,782 62 against him. Amongst the earliest acts of my Executive duties was an order directing the Attorney General to institute suits for the recovery of the amount composing such embezzlement. There is a long period of years prior to this investigation, for which this officer is responsible, and during that period there has been no inquiry into the accounts. I made an effort to have an examination, but the short time intervening your assembling did not admit of it. It will require a labor of some months, by good accountants, to satisfactorily explore the accounts. I recommend the appointment of two or more commissioners, to investigate and report upon the condition of the accounts of that officer, from the commencement to the end of his services. If the investigation be properly made, it will probably enable the Commonwealth to secure a large proportion of the sum found to be due, in the settlement of his estate in the hands of trustees, which is now depending in the Franklin Circuit Court. The statute of limitations certainly releases the sureties anterior to the year 1853, but does not interfere with the prosecution of the claim against the defaulting officer. I recommend that you provide for the appointment of commissioners to investigate and ascertain the extent of the embezzlement for each year from the commencement of that officer's services.

This case suggests the grave omission of proper legislation in reference to such cases. Except as to the Treasurer, our penal code is silent. No penalties are provided against any other officer for embezzlement of public moneys. I therefore recommend that our penal code be so amended as to punish criminally, all officers who may be guilty of embezzlement of public moneys.

The condition of our common schools will be exhibited in the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The fund consecrated to purposes of education has been preserved inviolate. To give to every child in the Commonwealth a substantial education, is amongst the highest duties devolved upon the law-givers. Every effort to increase the facilities of education, and to elevate the grade of instruction, will have my hearty co-operation.

The reports from our eleemosynary institutions, which will be laid before you, will inform you of their condition, progress and wants.

The Lunatic Asylums at Lexington and at Hopkinsville; the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Danville; the Blind Asylum at Louisville; the Asylum for the Feeble-Minded at Frankfort, are noble monuments of the charities of our Commonwealth. The reports, which will be laid before you, from these institutions, will set forth their wants and necessities. Ample provisions should be made to meet them. That you will make suitable appropriations to sustain these grand charities, such as becomes the charitable duty and just pride of the State, I do not entertain a doubt.

Under the provisions of "An act accepting the donation of lands for endowment of Agricultural Colleges," approved 27th January, 1863, we have contributed, to sustain our Government, 37,444 soldiers for three years service; 11,911 for one year; 413 for nine months, and 1,770 for sixty days service; making an aggregate of 51,538—almost one half of all those within the military ages. This is an evidence of Kentucky patriotism which needs no further comment to vindicate it. We are ready to give yet more, even to the last man and last dollar, if needed, to defend our Government.

I call your attention to the very full, complete, and able report of the Adjutant General, which will be laid before you. The report is gotten up so as to present a complete record of every regiment sent to the field; and exhibit, as far as officially advised, the status of each officer and soldier. This report should be given the dignity of an official record, so that the report may be evidence of the facts set forth, for the benefit of those interested in future.

In the commencement of the rebellion the inexperience of those employed in the Quarter-Master's department, was the occasion of distributing arms, munitions, clothing, and other necessary stores, to the various military organizations in the State, without obtaining vouchers in the form prescribed by the Army Regulations. In many instances the emergency did not admit of the delay which compliance with these forms required.

Custom, by long established precedent, has made it necessary that I should advert to our federal relations, and those subjects of general and national interest which absorb the attention of the day. It would perhaps be better otherwise but, as we cannot ignore, we should not shun all proper responsibility.

Our federal relations are at this time of

the Commonwealth. The State of Kentucky, on account of United States Government, in recruiting, arming, equipping, subsisting, and paying volunteers, the following sums, viz:

Advanced up to 31st Aug., 1863... \$2,106,611 83

Advanced from 31st August to 30th November, 1863..... 90,000 00

Making our advancements....	\$2,196,611 83
Of this sum there has been refunded by the Federal Government.....	\$861,221 12
Add our proportion of the taxes levied upon the State.....	605,000 00

Aggregate..... 1,465,221 12

Leaving a balance in favor of the State against the United States \$730,390 71

This balance, for the reason before stated, has not heretofore been settled. The Secretary of State and Quarter-Master General were deputed, a few weeks since, to visit Washington, and, if possible, obtain a settlement, of our claims. The difficulties in the way of adjustment being ascertained, the questions were submitted to the Secretary of War, who promptly from a sense of justice and respect to the loyalty and good faith of Kentucky, ordered the settlement of our claims upon a basis as just, liberal, and equitable as we could possibly demand, or his duties admit. We shall therefore hope soon to recruit our fund for military purposes, by obtaining from the Federal Government the payment of the sums so due to us.

The importance of having a complete and thorough organization of the militia has been so clearly impressed upon every judgment, by the calamities which have befallen our people for want of such organization, that I need not offer any additional reasons, beyond the facts of history, to enforce the necessity of such organization. Without organization we have been, and would continue, powerless, and lay at the mercy of invaders and bandits. With organization we can defend and punish them, and give security to our homes, and protection to our people. I urge upon you the propriety of having an efficient State force organized, for active duty in suppressing the guerrilla warfare which harrasses our border. If it be said that it will cost the State too much, I answer, that it will cost less than to do without such force. The economy which results from giving protection to the property, the homes, and lives of our border citizens, and leaves them exposed to be wasted and ruined by guerrilla bands, deserves the contempt and execration of the age. He whose soul sets in watch over his money bags, while the homes of his countrymen are wrapped in flames of rebellion, and the lives of true men are being sacrificed to the Moloch of treason, is wholly unfit to sit in council with patriots and statesmen. We have passed the silver line; it is now a question of the life or death of our Government—not of dollars and cents. It is not, therefore, to be presumed that any representative of our suffering people can, for a moment hesitate to make every possible provision for the protection and security of the citizen in his power. Those who would "save the people's money," should appropriate from the common treasure all that may be needed to give protection to the homes, the property, and lives of the citizen. Coming, as you do, fresh from the people, and knowing their sufferings and wants, it is not to be doubted but you will promptly respond to the necessities of the occasion.

In a short time after the executive duties devolved upon me, the organized forces thereto giving protection to our people, were necessarily moved to the front, leaving the State more exposed than at any period since the rebellion. We were left with some 4,000 recruits in camps, then without organization, and not supplied with arms and equipments for service. The guerrillas availed themselves of our condition to inflict serious injuries upon our exposed border, carrying their depredations to the very heart of the State.

It is a source of gratulation that the patriotism of our people has met the efforts to place a sufficient force in the field for defense, and that we are now more secure and better guarded than at any time heretofore since the rebellion. In a short time, under an arrangement made with the Secretary of War, and by a thorough organization of the enrolled and volunteer militia, our defenses will be complete, and security will again brighten the desolated homes of our border people.

It is a source of just pride, that the echoings response to our revolutionary sires, of the living patriotism of Kentucky of the present day. Although we are an exposed front, and our people have been overrun and oppressed by rebel armies, and have been wasted in their substance, and slain by guerrillas, although bad men and wicked fanatics in our own armies have inflicted outrage and wrong upon our loyal people, yet so steadily have our people pursued the direct line of duty and patriotism, that their suffering heroism, and invincible loyalty, which nothing could divert or overcome, is being understood and appreciated by our loyal brethren of other States, and our voice and counsel will not be unheeded as we speak from the fiery furnace of this wasting people.

The subject of internal improvements has been so repeatedly brought before the public judgment, that no additional suggestions are necessary on this occasion. The construction of roads and improvement of rivers have been a means of developing much wealth, and a source of reward to the labor of the country. When judiciously made the industry of the people is better sustained, and the wealth and prosperity of the country promoted. At present, however, to take care of and protect what we have is all a prudent statesmanship can demand. The report of the President of the Board of Internal Improvement will, in a short time, be submitted for your consideration, to which I beg leave to refer you for information both as regards the present condition of the public works, and the expenditures connected with the same.

There yet remains subjects of grave consideration to which, from a sense of public duty, I am constrained to call your attention—questions which have grown up with the rebellion, and demands some positive action for our own security. In presenting those questions it is not my purpose to invite vindictive action and wrathful legislation, but legislation tempered by a discreet and sober judgment, which shall be addressed to our security as a loyal people rather than to the punishment of the disloyal.

The duty of allegiance to our Government is so palpable and simple, that it requires neither depth of intellect nor breadth of intelligence to comprehend it. To observe that duty is an instinct of loyalty. The most ignorant know it; the most vicious feel it. To sympathize with rebellion and treason is a vicious sympathy, entitled to none of those charities which cover less venial crimes. It is the harlotry of the heart with the worst of crimes, and inevitably leads to criminal acts of treason, unless restrained by the touch of loyal judgment and rational duty.

No one has the right to commit treason. No one has the right to encourage or promote treason. The right to be a rebel or rebel sympathizer cannot be admitted; we may tolerate, but cannot admit, the right of such sympathies.

The right to hold, express, and advocate any form of policy for conducting the government, is a political right which cannot and ought not to be abridged, however much abused. Treason is not a policy; it strikes at the life—aims not at the management of the government. The safety of free govern-

ment, which admits the right to advocate and urge, with all our powers, even the wildest and most deleterious policy, without any restriction save public judgment, demands that none should be permitted to overthrow, or aid, or abet, or in any way encourage or promote the overthrow of the government which secures this perfect political liberty. Whosoever, therefore, commits treason, or advocates it, or in any way encourages or promotes it, does what he has no right to do, and that which is at war with the perfect political freedom secured by our government, and should not be tolerated therein. To sympathize with rebellion is wrong, if rebellion is wrong. But as mere sympathy cannot endanger the life of the government, it may be tolerated, though wrong. Yet, when that sympathy assumes the form of aid or encouragement to treason, and tends to promote it either by acts or words, the duty of those who would perpetuate our political freedom, as secured only by our government, is to stay the work of treason by inflicting upon its workers such restraints and penalties as will enforce obedience and respect to the government of our fathers.

Every Kentuckian ought to be loyal, not only in act, but word and sympathy. Kentucky has not and will not, under any circumstances, become rebellious against the Government of our fathers. Having no rights outside of the Union, Kentucky will seek none except in the Union. An invincible loyalty confronts those who seek to force Kentucky into rebellion. When rebellion reaches such magnitude as to assume the dignity of a revolutionary war, it is supported or resisted by moral and physical forces. Expressed sympathy or advocacy of rebellion is giving moral force to rebellion. If the rebellion is wrong, sympathy or any other aid given to it is wrong; and those who are to be injuriously affected by it have the moral right to protect themselves against rebellion by suppressing every form of treason. They have the right to banish its shadow, as well as its substance. In self-defense they ought to do so. It is no excuse for any one to say he cannot help his sympathies. A wrong and criminal sympathy is as much under the control of the will as a wrong and criminal action. Both are voluntary, and therefore criminal. Every man who henceforth remains in Kentucky, or shelters here should be loyal to our government, and true to its service, or be held to a rigid responsibility for disloyalty. Those who rejoice or exult over rebel invasions and guerrilla raids should be held accountable for all the injuries inflicted by their fellow-accomplices in treason. We may, and perhaps should, ignore the past, if the future of such be loyal; but to be loyal should be made imperative.

I therefore recommend that our penal code be amended so as to provide proper preventive, as well as punitive remedies, for every form of treasonable action, whether it consist in acts or words which tend to promote or encourage rebellion.

I further recommend that the laws be so amended as to give to any loyal man, who suffers in person or property, from invasions or raids, a right of action against any or all persons who, after the passage of such act, may aid, encourage, or promote the rebellion either by acts or words of encouragement, or by approval, or by manifesting an exultant and joyous sympathy upon the success of such raids. It is time that disloyal and criminal sympathies should cease in Kentucky. There remains no excuse for any to indulge in them and remain here.

Such amendments to the civil code will be

but the application of the principles of the common law to this rebellion.

By the common law, all who counsel, advise, aid, as assist, promote, encourage, or adopt a trespass, are held to be equally guilty, and responsible to the injured party. It is right that those who avowed sympathies encourage and invite invasions and raids should be made to bear the expenses for the entertainment of their friends.

Rebellious persons are fleeing to Kentucky as a city of refuge. This is becoming so common that it is worthy of consideration how far and upon what terms this is to be permitted.

"The citizens of each State," by virtue of the Federal Constitution, "shall be entitled to all privileges and immunities of citizens in the several States." But to enact

or promote treason is not one of the "privileges" or "immunities" of citizens of any State. So long as those refugees deport themselves as good and loyal citizens, they should be, so far as our laws are operative, left unmolested. But those who bring with them the infection of treason, and who, by words or acts, endeavor to incite treasonable acts, or promote treasonable sentiments in our communities, should be restrained by proper penalties sufficient to reach and eradicate this evil.

Another important matter affecting the interests of our people, and which grows out of the rebellion, ought to be provided for. The property of our citizens is purchased or seized by officers and soldiers for public use, and either no voucher given, or one which is insufficient to draw the compensation upon.

This has sometimes been from the ignorance of the officer employed; sometimes from his wanton neglect; sometimes from unavoidable neglect, in the hurried movements of troops, and often from the corrupt purposes of Quarter-Masters and Assistant Commissaries of Subsistence, who seek thereby to pocket the proceeds of our substance.

These are evils incident to a state of war, but ought to be provided for, so as ultimately to secure that which is due to the citizen.

In most instances, it is not possible to obtain, at this time, vouchers such as are required by the Army Regulations. It is not right that the citizen should suffer loss for the default, accident, or negligence of those

acting under federal authority.

It is recommended, therefore, that you provide, by law, some simple but reliable mode of perpetuating the evidence of such claims for indemnity, so that the State authorities, or the individual, can lay them before Congress for redress. This might properly be extended to perpetuate the evidence not only of losses by federal soldiers, but property destroyed or taken by Confederates—the evidence always distinguishing the manner, extent of loss, and when and by whom or whose authority taken or destroyed.

This will secure, at least, the foundation upon which to appeal for ultimate justice. These evidences might be forwarded to the Quarter-Master General of the State, and preserved by him, to be laid before the proper federal authorities.

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Our federal relations are at this time of

the Commonwealth. The object to be promoted is the right to advocate and urge, with all our powers, even the wildest and most deleterious policy, without any restriction save public judgment, demands that none should be permitted to overthrow, or aid, or abet, or in any way encourage or promote the overthrow of the government which secures this perfect political liberty. Yet we purposes, we feel the more keenly the wrong inflicted upon us by those denying the foundation theory of our government, and who make war upon its perpetuity—the one asserting the supremacy of State rights; the other ignoring the rights of the people within State limits. By the flat of the sovereign people, the National Government exists; by the same flat State Governments exist, and each is limited to its own sphere of action. Southern ambition strikes at the national sovereignty of the people, and Northern fanaticism at the sovereignty which, by national fiat, is reserved to them within the States. Each would form a new and different government. The truly loyal man is struggling to maintain a government—not to make one. The government we have is better than any which has ever preceded it, and superior to any suggested by revolutionists. The secessionists, who would destroy the government by force, and the fanatic who would destroy by innovation, are alike the enemies of our government. The soldier who bears his bosom to the storm of war, does so under the conviction that he fights to maintain the government which blessed his fathers and sheltered his youth. The rebel fights to break up the government. The purpose of the fanatic is the same as the rebel—to make a new, a different government than the one for which our fathers toiled and bled, and to maintain which our own brave sons now offer up their lives a willing and glorious sacrifice. Each is the common enemy of those who adhere to the Constitutional Union, formed by the wise men of the revolution.

Kentucky, with steadfast faith and invincible loyalty, has constantly adhered to the true line of duty, bringing all her mental, moral, and physical forces to bear against the rebellion; and with calm judgment, and unwavering patriotism, with equal fidelity opposing the innovations of fanaticism which undermines our constitutional security and unity.

The Union is indispensable to us, and we cannot dispense with the Union. We cannot, therefore, separate, but must preserve our unity which gives us our nationality. Neither the preservation, nor the destruction of slavery is essential to our State or National existence. The State and the Nation can exist with or without slavery. The Government was not formed for the purpose of preserving or destroying it, but to perpetuate to latest time the blessings of free government to the Anglo American. It is not, therefore, opposition to slavery which constitutes the danger to free government, nor the advocacy of it. But the danger lies in the effort of those who would make the government subordinate to the status of the negro. It is as revolutionary and disloyal to subordinate the government to the question of his freedom, as to the question of his enslavement. True loyalty subordinates all these questions to the preservation of the Government. Our security to-day is because the people of Kentucky, despite leaders and politicians, have all the while been right. They have never lost sight of the paramount object of maintaining our government, and preserving our nationality. Time-servers, and those who court present applause, have never yet kept pace with the loyalty of Kentucky. Fortunately for the good of our people, and the cause of liberty, all such have fallen far behind, that they are estimated as stragglers and deserters from the true patriotism. It is a proud satisfaction to the truly loyal, to know that we have steadily, and with living faith, and indestructible loyalty, pursued the lead of patriotism, and our loyalty with dauntless deeds, while assailed by persecuting foes, and distrusted and abused by those who should be our friends.

I cannot close this communication without calling your attention to a subject which has drawn largely upon my sympathies and sense of gratitude and duty. Many of our noble sons have fallen in our conflict with rebellion. Many have left widows and orphans in a destitute condition. Winter is upon us, and they must suffer unless timely provision be made for them. The poor men of our country have made the first and greatest sacrifices in defense of our birth-right of free government. Those districts least blessed with worldly goods, have opened up the richest mines of devoted patriotism. The poor man has given his all—his life—for our security. Shall his widow and orphan children suffer? Our gratitude and duty alike forbid it. Can you not, in your wisdom, devise the plan by which a bounty of fifty or more dollars can be paid to the destitute and needy widows and orphans of our deceased soldiers? It has occurred to me, and I suggest it for your consideration, that a capitation tax of ten cents to twenty cents levied upon each male, over eighteen years of age, in the State—exempting the soldier in the field and the disabled soldier at home—would constitute an ample fund for the relief of the destitute and needy widows and orphans of our gallant dead, and meet our debt of gratitude and duty. This fund should be entitled "bounty fund of the soldier's widow and orphan."

To meet the present demand for relief, you could appropriate, out of your abundant treasury, to be reimbursed from the fund so raised in the revenues of the coming year. The small sum levied upon each poll, can oppress no one, and will create a fund for the bestowment of great benefits, and for the partial payment of our immense debt of gratitude. Leaving the manner of raising a fund for this purpose entirely to your wise and patriotic consideration and judgment, I most earnestly recommend that some efficient mode of prompt relief be adopted.

Be assured, gentlemen, that whatsoever you may adopt to promote the peace, secure the harmony, increase the security, advance the prosperity, protect the rights, guard the liberties, strengthen our defenses, or fortify our constitutional guarantees of liberty, will meet with my



**STATEMENT**  
OF THE CONDITION OF THE  
**ÆTNA INSURANCE COMPANY,**

On the 1st day of July, A. D. 1863, made to the  
Auditor of the State of Kentucky, in compliance  
with an act entitled, "an act to regulate Agencies  
of Foreign Insurance Companies," approved  
3d March, 1856.

The name of the corporation is **ÆTNA INSURANCE COMPANY**, and is located at Hartford, Connecticut.

The capital is FIFTEEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, and is paid up.

**ASSETS.**

	Par Value.	Market Val.
Real Estate unincumbered,	\$87,963 18	88,990 92
Cash on hand and in Bank,	111,985 05	
Cash in the hands of Ag'ts and in transit,	111,985 05	
Hartford, P. & F. Railroad,		
Mortgage Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	\$44,000	39,800 00
Cleveland & P. A. Railroad,		
Mortgage Bonds, 7 pr., semi-annual interest,...	3,500	4,600 00
N. Y. Central Railroad, (Convert.) M'tgag'e B'ds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	10,000	12,200 00
Cleveland & T. Railroad, (S. F.) Mortgage Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	25,000	27,750 00
Michigan, S. & N. I. R. R., (G'l Mort.) M'tgag'e B'ds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	25,000	27,250 00
Michigan, S. & N. I. R. R., (2d Mort.) M'tgag'e B'ds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	25,000	25,500 00
P. Ft. W. & C. Railroad, (2d Mort.) Mortgage Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	20,000	22,000 00
Atlantic Dock Co., Mortg'g Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	38,000	41,800 00
N. Y. Central Railroad Co., Mortgage Bonds, 6 p'r cent., semi-annual interest,...	30,000	32,400 00
N. J. R. R., Trans. Co., M'tgag'e Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	10,000	19,000 00
Conn. River Railroad Co., M'tgag'e Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	10,000	10,600 00
Little Miami Railroad Co., M'tgag'e Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	3,000	3,300 00
Michigan Central R. Co., M'tgag'e Bonds, 8 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	10,000	12,100 00
Rochester City Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual int.,...	25,000	28,000 00
Brooklyn City Bonds, (Water), 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	25,000	29,250 00
New York City Bonds, 6 pr. et, quarterly,...	75,000	86,250 00
Hartford City Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual int.,...	35,000	42,240 00
Hartford City Scrip, 6 p'r cent., semi-annual interest,...	26,000	26,000 00
Town of Hartford Bonds, [1853 & 1858.] 6 per cent., annual interest,...	60,000	67,200 00
United States Coupon Bonds 1851, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	100,000	100,000 00
United States Treasury Notes, [Aug.-] 7-10 p.r.c., semi-annual interest,...	57,300	60,165 00
Ky. State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	10,000	10,500 00
N. Y. State Stock, 6 pr. et, quarterly interest,...	31,000	35,650 00
N. J. State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	15,000	15,450 00
Connecticut State Stock, 6 pr. et, semi-annual interest,...	20,000	22,800 00
Ohio State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest,...	100,000	112,000 00
Michigan State Stock, 6 pr. et, semi-annual interest,...	25,000	26,000 00
Indiana State Stock, 2½ pr. et, semi-annual interest,...	76,000	45,600 00
Temporary loan to the State of Connecticut, with accrued interest,...	101,530 70	
Atlantic Mutual Insurance Co., Scrip, 1862, 1863,...	18,620	15,886 00
500 Shares Hartford and N. Haven R. R. Co. Stock,	50,000	90,000 00
250 Shares Conn. River R. Co. Stock,...	25,000	25,500 00
107 Shares Boston and Worcester R. R. Co. Stock,...	10,700	15,515 00
50 Shares Conn. River Co. Stock,...	5,000	1,250 00
50 Shares Citizens' B'k S'k, Waterbury, Conn.,...	5,000	5,250 00
50 Shares Stamford B'k S'k, Stamford Springs, Conn.,...	5,000	5,150 00
200 Shares Eagle B'k S'k, Providence, R. I.,...	1,800	1,800 00
200 Shares Rover B'k S'k, Boston, Mass.,...	20,000	21,000 00
100 Shares Safety Fund B'k Stock, Boston, Mass.,...	10,000	10,300 00
200 Shares B'k of the State Mo. S'k, St. Louis, Mo.,...	20,000	16,000 00
100 Shares Merchants Bank Stock, St. Louis, Mo.,...	10,000	8,000 00
200 Shares Mechanics Bank Stock, St. Louis, Mo.,...	20,000	16,000 00
400 Shares Farmers and Mechanics B'k S'k, Phil. Pa.,...	40,000	42,000 00
40 Shares Ætna B'k Stock, Hartford, Conn.,...	14,000	14,700 00
100 Shares Bank of Hartf'd Co. S'k, Hartford, Conn.,...	5,000	5,500 00
200 Shares City Bank Stock, Hartford, Conn.,...	20,000	21,600 00
100 Shares Charter Oak B'k Stock, Hartford, Conn.,...	10,000	9,900 00
275 Shares Exchange Bank Stock, Hartford, Conn.,...	13,750	13,750 00
440 Shares Farmers & Mechanics B'k S'k, Hartf'd Co. Conn.,...	44,000	51,040 00
500 Shares Hartford B'k S'k, Hartford, Conn.,...	50,000	71,500 00
100 Shares Merch't & Manufacturers B'k S'k, Hartford, Conn.,...	10,000	10,500 00
250 Shares State B'k Stock, Hartford, Conn.,...	30,000	32,100 00
150 Shares Conn. Riv. B'k Stock, Hartf'd Am. Ex. B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	25,000	30,500 00
400 Shares Am. Ex. B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	7,500	11,250 00
300 Shares Phenix B'k S'k, Hartford, Conn.,...	40,000	42,000 00
200 Shares Broadway Bank S'k, N. Y. City,...	30,000	39,000 00
800 Shares Butchers & Drovers B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	20,000	32,000 00
300 Shares Importers and Traders B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	20,000	25,000 00
100 Shares Bank of Com'th Stock, N. Y. City,...	10,000	14,000 00
200 Shares Bank of Commerce Stock, N. Y. City,...	10,000	10,000 00
100 Shares Hanover B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	20,000	20,400 00
300 Shares Importers and Traders B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	30,000	31,800 00
100 Shares Mercantile Bank Stock, N. Y. City,...	10,000	13,000 00
200 Shares Market B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	20,000	20,000 00
1200 Shares Mechanics B'k Stock, N. Y. City,...	30,000	35,400 00
200 Shares Merchants Ex. B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	10,000	10,000 00
400 Shares Metropolitan B'k Stock, N. Y. City,...	40,000	46,000 00
820 Shares Merchants Bank Stock, N. Y. City,...	41,000	44,280 00
400 Shares Manhattan Co. B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...	20,000	28,000 00

300 Shares Nassau B'k S'k, New York City,...

200 Shares North River, B'k Stock, N. Y. City,...

300 Shares Bank of N. Y. Stock, N. Y. City,...

200 Shares B'k North America S'k, N. Y. City,...

400 Shares Bank of the Republic S'k, N. Y. City,...

400 Shares Ocean B'k Stock, New York City,...

400 Shares Peoples B'k S'k, New York City,...

500 Shares Phenix B'k S'k, N. Y. City,...

400 Shares Union Bank S'k, N. Y. City,...

150 Shares U. S. Trust Co. Stock, N. Y. City,...

Total assets of Company,...

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE JAIL of Grant county, as a runaway slave, a negro woman calling herself ESTER. She is about 60 years of age, black color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or she will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Nov. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE JAIL of Grant county, as a runaway slave, a negro woman calling herself SALLY. She is about 40 years of age, black color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges or she will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Nov. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE JAIL of Grant county, as a runaway slave, a negro man calling himself BEN. He is about 25 years of age, black color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or he will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Nov. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE JAIL of Grant county, as a runaway slave, a negro woman calling herself LOUISA. She is about 16 years of age, black color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or she will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Oct. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE JAIL of Grant county, as a runaway slave, a negro girl calling herself LUCY. She is about 8 years old, black color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or she will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Nov. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE GRANT county jail, as a runaway slave, a negro girl calling herself LOUISA, and her two children, HENRY and WILLIAM. The woman is about 22 years of age, mulatto color. Henry is about 4 years of age, mulatto color. William is about 2 years of age, mulatto color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or they will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

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B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Nov. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE BAL-LARD county jail, as a runaway slave, on the 20th of August, 1863, a negro man calling himself BOB. He is about 25 years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, copper color, and weighs about 150 pounds. Says he belongs to E. Richardson, of Mississippi.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or they will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Oct. 5, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

THERE WAS COMMITTED TO THE LYON county jail, as a runaway slave, a negro girl calling herself LOUISA. She is about 8 years old, mulatto color.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or they will be dealt with as the law requires.

B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Oct. 13, 1863-1m.

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B. WILSON, J. G. C.

Oct. 13, 1863-1m.

**NOTICE.**

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